

# LYNCHBURG CITY COUNCIL

## Agenda Item Summary

MEETING DATE: **June 22, 2004, Work Session**

AGENDA ITEM NO.: 5

CONSENT:

REGULAR: **X**

CLOSED SESSION:

(Confidential)

ACTION: **X**

INFORMATION:

ITEM TITLE: **Naming of Baseball Field at City Stadium**

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt a resolution to name the baseball field at City Stadium, the "Calvin Falwell Field".

SUMMARY: The City has received an application from a citizen, Ms Jeanette Tyree, proposing to name the baseball field at City Stadium in honor of Mr. Calvin Falwell for his dedication to minor league baseball. Ms Tyree's application acknowledges the work of Mr. Falwell over the course of the years to bring and to preserve baseball in the City of Lynchburg. Undoubtedly, Mr. Falwell's leadership was paramount in influencing the efforts to renovate the baseball portion of City Stadium. The naming application has been reviewed by the Director of Community Planning and Development and is recommended for approval by the Director of Parks and Recreation.

We understand that Ms. Tyree will be in attendance during Council's work session and may ask to speak.

PRIOR ACTION(S): None

FISCAL IMPACT: None

CONTACT(S):

Kay Frazier, 455-5858

ATTACHMENT(S):

Naming Application  
Resolution

REVIEWED BY: lkp

Resolution

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LYNCHBURG That the baseball field at City Stadium be named the "Calvin Falwell Field".

Adopted:

Certified: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of Council

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I propose that the baseball field at Lynchburg City Stadium be named The Calvin Falwell; Field.. In "A Policy for naming of City owned properties, facilities, streets, and structures" it states on page 3 guideline 4:"Facilities may be named for an individual or corporation under the following conditions:

For an individual who has made significant contribution to the City og Lynchburg.

Also on page 4 guideline 5: Recreational facilities or designated areas within a park...may be named for...an individual... who:

Has made a significant contribution to the protection and /or enrichment of a natural, cultural, educational, or horticultural resources of the City of Lynchburg, or

Has substantially contributed to the advancement of commensurate types of recreational opportunities within the City of Lynchburg , or

Has made a significant contribution to the betterment of a specific park, consistent with currently accepted best management practices and standards for the individual property in question.

It appears to me that Mr. Falwell meets all these criteria.

Mr. Falwell brought Professional Baseball back to Lynchburg and has worked tirelessly to keep professional baseball here in Lynchburg.

Mr. Falwell has been a great ambassador for Lynchburg. He is one of the most respected men in minor league baseball and is known across the country thru his position on the board. When he was president of the Carolina league he helped Danville get professional baseball. Of which the are very thankful .

Mr. Falwell has not confined his love of baseball to just professional ball. On Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup> you would have found him at City Stadium. Not for the Hillcats but for the opening ceremonies for Little League. He has participated in opening ceremonies every since he was the first president of Little League in Lynchburg.

I know Vice Mayor Dodson says "money is money" referring to the possibility that someone will donate a large sum of money to named the stadium. Lets take a few minutes to look at money brought in because Mr. Falwell brought and kept professional baseball here. This season alone will bring in several million dollars. Take the teams that come into town. The need somewhere to stay so they stay in our motels. I'm not sure how many rooms they use or how much they are charged but if they use 20 rooms a night at \$50.00 for the 70 home games that alone would be \$700,00.00 in rooms alone not to mention food etc.

Then there are our players themselves. They either stay in our motels, apartments or rent house. They buy food at our restaurants or grocery stores. They go to movies and other entertainment venues. That is a lot of revenue. By having professional baseball here it has not only brought revenue into the city thru the stadium but every type of business in Lynchburg has benefited. These are just a few reasons why the Baseball Field at City Stadium should be named Calvin Falwell Field.

In support of this I have the signatures of several hundred citizens from the Lynchburg area. Which I will present to City Council.

Thank You for allowing me to submit this application.

Jeanette Tyree

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PARKS &amp; REC.



# NAMING OF CITY OWNED PROPERTIES, FACILITIES, STREETS & STRUCTURES APPLICATION FORM

## 1. Applicants General Information

Name: Jeanette Tyree Date: 5-26-04  
 Address: 624 Sandusky Dr Lynchburg State: Va  
 Zip Code: 24502 Telephone: 2398820

Does the Applicant Represent an Organization? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, Name of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. Facility Information

Name of City of Lynchburg Facility:

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|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Biggers Playlot                | <input type="checkbox"/> Fire Station                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Sandusky Park                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blackwater Creek Athletic Area | <input type="checkbox"/> Fleet Services                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Younger Park                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blackwater Creek Natural Area  | <input type="checkbox"/> Fort Avenue Playlot              | <input type="checkbox"/> Westover Playlot                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Buildings & Grounds Facility   | <input type="checkbox"/> Grove Street Facility            | <input type="checkbox"/> Yoder Community Center                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chambersville Playlot          | <input type="checkbox"/> Gateway                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Other                                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> City Hall                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Heritage Park                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Merritt Hutchinson Stadium |
| <input type="checkbox"/> City Market                    | <input type="checkbox"/> High School                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Middle School                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> College Hill Community Center  | <input type="checkbox"/> Human Services                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Miller Park                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> College Park                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Jackson Heights Community Center | <input type="checkbox"/> Open Space                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Daniels Hill Community Center  | <input type="checkbox"/> Jefferson Park                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Peaks View Park                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Diamond Hill Community Center  | <input type="checkbox"/> Jefferson Park Community Center  | <input type="checkbox"/> Percival's Island Natural Area            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elementary School              | <input type="checkbox"/> Kemper Street Station/Facilities | <input type="checkbox"/> Perrymont Park                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fairview Community Center      | <input type="checkbox"/> Riverside Park                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Perrymont Park                            |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Retention/Retaining Pond         | <input type="checkbox"/> Police Station                            |
|   |   | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Services                           |

3. **Nature of Naming Opportunity:**

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|--|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Park                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Building       | <input type="checkbox"/> Entrance             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Athletic Field | <input type="checkbox"/> Trail          | <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Facility     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Center          | <input type="checkbox"/> Bridge         | <input type="checkbox"/> Interpretive Feature |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tennis Facility           | <input type="checkbox"/> Overlook       | <input type="checkbox"/> Other                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Playground                | <input type="checkbox"/> Park Structure |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Street                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Bed  |   |

Explain Other:

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4. **Renaming Opportunity (Street)**

☐ Yes    ☐ No    Current Name: \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Residents on Street: \_\_\_\_\_ Percentage In Favor: \_\_\_\_\_

Petition Submitted: ☐ Yes    ☐ No

5. **Exact Location (if necessary):**

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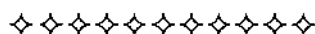
6. **Proposed Name of Facility:**

Calvin Falwell Field  
(Print the Name)

7. **Naming Justification:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Geographical Feature	<input type="checkbox"/> Ecological Feature	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Significant Contribution
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Feature	<input type="checkbox"/> Monetary Gift	<input type="checkbox"/> Land Gift
<input type="checkbox"/> Cultural	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other	

- Please note: See above policies for the definition of Significant Contributions.



8. City of Lynchburg Comments:

Reviewed By: \_\_\_\_\_



Director, Department of Community Planning & Development

☐ Recommended      ☐ Not Recommended

Date: 06.2.04

Comments:

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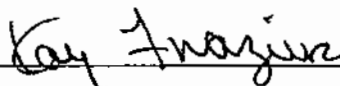
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Reviewed By: \_\_\_\_\_



Director, Division of: ☒ Parks & Recreation or ☐ Buildings & Grounds or  
☐ Public Services

☒ Recommended      ☐ Not Recommended

Date: 6/07/04

Comments:

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Reviewed By: \_\_\_\_\_

Director, Department of: ~~Human Services~~ ☐ ~~or~~ ☐ Public Works

☐ Recommended      ☐ Not Recommended

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

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**Courtesy Copies Sent To:**

- ☐ City Attorney's Office  
☐ City Managers Office  
☐ Other

City Council Review Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Naming Opportunity Status:

☐ Approved    ☐ Disapproved    ☐ Tabled

Additional Comments:

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